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Former Groton Resident Passes Away in Iowa

Anton Bloedorn^{sister} received the sad news that his sister, Mrs. Clara McGrew passed away last Wednesday, Feb. 17, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Elmer Shellenberger in Belle Plaine, Iowa. Funeral services were held there at the Lutheran church.

Mrs. McGrew had made her home in Belle Plaine since 1921, previously the family lived in both North and South Dakota, but went to Belle Plaine from Carroll, where Mr. McGrew was employed by a railroad. For the past thirteen years she had been employed at the Maid-Rite shop.

She was the daughter of Julius and Wilhelmina Bloedorn, and was born Nov. 15, 1894, at Andover, S. D., and later the family moved to Groton. She was married to O. H. McGrew in this city on March 19, 1913. To this union nine children were born, all of whom survive their mother. They are: Wallace at Guttenberg, Iowa; Maxine Busher of Ottumwa; Don of Missouri Valley; Harry of Oelwein; Vada Beardshear of Marengo; Charles of Cedar Rapids; Muriel Shellenberger, Dolores Clemons and LeRoy, all of Belle Plaine.

She is also survived by twenty grandchildren and four brothers, Anton, Groton; Frank, Great Falls, Mont.; August, Dell Rapids; Julius, Huron, and three sisters, Mrs. Louise Smith of Canada; Mrs. Emma Mahan, Rockford, Ill., and Mrs. Herman Hayenga, Belle Fourche, S. D.

Mrs. McGrew was preceded in death by her husband on January 18, 1940.